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**TODAY'S SMILE**  
 Heard a fella's mixed up a new shaving lotion that's supposed to drive the girls crazy... smells like money.

Delights Of The News

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inkley Suddenly Tuesday Night

ayton Miller Hinkley, 47, in Waynesville Dentist, deny at the Haywood hospital last night about

services will be held in Methodist Church Satur- 30 p.m., with the Rev. J. pastor of the church, Rev. James H. Coleman, the Shady Grove Metho officiating. Interment (Crawford Memorial Park. pallbearers will be Fred McClean, Dwight Ray, gins, Earl Gribble, John Bill Cochran and Mark

ry pallbearers will be of the Rotary Club, the Legion, the Masonic E. M. Rothermel, John my James and Finney

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hley was a native of Lan- land, the son of the late and Mattie Miller Hinkley. to Waynesville in Sep- 1949 from Oteen where as chief dental officer heran's Hospital.

is a member of the First Church, the Waynesville Club, the Masonic Lodge, Wood Post of the American and was active in the Dental Association. He is a dental officer during ar II.

ing are the widow, Mrs. Sue Wright Hinkley, and Ms. Clark Miller, Gregory and Randy Wright Hinkley, ynesville.

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C. To Help Horse Show Aug. 22nd

ectors of the Chamber of went on record Tuesday favoring the Horse Show just 22, and will be among groups cooperating, and nancial contribution to the of the show.

ectors heard a general activities, and discussed matters about the progress organization.

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iner was reported in good this morning, after a t. at the Aston Park Hos- Asheville. Mr. Limer was here from the Haywood hospital on Tuesday.

iner received a back in- he fell from a scaffold the school last Thursday

## Jury Soon To Get Case Of J. Murrill



MRS. C. O. NEWELL has been named Rural Minister of the Year for the State of North Carolina. The selection was made by the magazine, Progressive Farmer.

Mrs. C. O. Newell, pastor of the Crabtree Charge of the Methodist Church, has been chosen by the Progressive Farmer as the Rural Minister of the Year for the State of North Carolina. The selection of the state rural minister, which is inter-denominational, is based on outstanding leadership in fields of church and rural development.

## Mrs. Newell Is Named State Rural Minister Of Year

As Minister of the Year, Mrs. Newell, along with rural ministers of twelve other Southeastern States, will attend the Town and Country School at Emory University in Georgia. The school, which opened yesterday, will be conducted for two weeks and will close with a banquet honoring the ministers, July 29. Mrs. Newell plans to leave Monday for the last ten days of the school.

Mrs. Newell, who came to Haywood County fifteen years ago, has been a leader in all phases of her community's development. She has also been unique in lifting the status of the woman preacher by showing that there is a place for women in the ministry.

The first woman ordained as a minister in the Western North Carolina Conference, Mrs. Newell was licensed to preach nearly twenty-five years ago. She has been pastor of the Crabtree, Charge, which includes the Crabtree, Davis, and Flor Preeters.

## Joe Morrow Will Give Organ Recital Sunday

Joe Morrow, organist at the First Baptist Church, will present an organ recital at the church Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Mr. Morrow's program will include works of Campra, Bach, Purvins, and Flor Preeters.

A former student of Sister Mary Anthony at St. John's School, Mr. Morrow also studied under David Brandt and Dr. Jan P. Schinhan at the University of North Carolina. While a student at the University he also served as organist at the Chapel of the Cross, Episcopal Church in Chapel Hill. Mr. Morrow has been at the Baptist Church here since 1951.

## Over A Hundred Leaving Tomorrow On Farm Tour

(Departure time is six a.m., and not the hour published in another newspaper, Franklin said today.)

Some 120 men and women from teen-age to "not telling" will leave early Friday morning on the 11th annual out-of-state farm tour, headed for Colorado, Wyoming and way stations.

One of the "regulars" making the trip will be W. P. (Uncle Bud) Harris of Thickety, whose age is something that only Uncle Bud can tell. Despite his years, he has made many of the annual tours, with all the enthusiasm and enjoyment of youngsters many years his junior.

The first day's program includes a picnic lunch—the last bit of home cooking the party will taste for days. Members will bring their own box lunches. That night will be spent in Memphis.

Departure time Friday morning is set for 6 a.m. from the Court House in Waynesville. A bus will pick up Canton area travelers at the Canton Chamber of Commerce at 5:30 a.m.

Swinging well over 3000 miles, for the longest out-of-state tour to date, the itinerary includes the Royal Gorge Bridge in Colorado, the rodeo celebrating the 57th Cheyenne Frontier Days in Wyoming and a choice of a major league game or the Municipal Opera at St. Louis, as well as inspection of farming operations in dairy, sheep, hogs, wheat and seed.

The tour is slated to return to Waynesville on Sunday evening, July 26.

## Trial Began Today, With Judge Donald Phillips Presiding.

A packed courtroom this morning heard the opening of the case of State Highway Patrolman Joe E. Murrill, on trial for the shooting of D. C. Jenkins on the night of June 13.

First on the stand were Doctors N. F. Lancaster and S. S. Hindman. Dr. Hindman, pathologist of the Haywood County Hospital, had conducted the autopsy on Jenkins, assisted by Dr. Lancaster and coroner Dr. J. Frank Pate.

Their testimony as to their findings was followed by that of Sheriff Fred Campbell, who recounted the events prior to Murrill's taking Jenkins into custody.

First witness for the prosecution was Miss Hazel Carver of Cove Creek. She was examined by Solicitor Thad D. Bryson, Jr., for the State. Cross-examination by John M. Queen for the defense was to be resumed following the noon recess.

Miss Carver testified that she was at the school when Jenkins was arrested. She also said she was "not too far" from the patrol car when Patrolman Murrill and Jenkins got out of the car, following its leaving the schoolground.

Assisting Solicitor Bryson are George H. Ward and Felix E. Alley, Jr.

Council for the defense, besides Mr. Queen, are Roy Francis, Frank Ferguson and former State Senator John Larkins of Onslow County, a brother-in-law of the defendant.

Among the State Highway Patrol officers attending the trial this morning were Major James R. Smith of Raleigh, Captain C. A. Speed of Asheville and Sgt. T. A. Sandlin of Bryson City.

Spectators pressing forward in an effort to hear the low-voiced testimony of the prosecution's first witness commented that the crowd was the largest witnessed in the courtroom within their recollections.

Murrill killed Jenkins during a scuffle near the Rock Hill school after Jenkins was arrested for drunk driving and placed in the Patrol car. A warrant charging murder was sworn out by Jenkins' father, Crawford Jenkins, after a coroner's jury recommended that Murrill be held for the grand jury. The patrolman had been freed on \$2500 bond.

Other cases heard by Judge Donald Phillips of Rockingham in the first three days of the July term included a number for drunken driving and several for abandonment and nonsupport. Judge Phillips imposed \$100 fines and revoked for 12 months the drivers' licenses of those convicted of driving drunk. Cases disposed of include John Chambers was released as

## Grand Jury Near Completion Of Assigned Work

Foreman Will Leatherwood, of the Grand Jury, told The Mountaineer at noon today, that he felt the body would complete their work sometime this afternoon, and be ready to make their report to the court first thing Friday morning.

At noon the grand jury planned to inspect the court house, jail and prison camp this afternoon, and then work on the report for the court.

## Bottles Scattered Over Highway As Truck Turns Over

The zig-zag progress of a bottling company truck out of control left a trail of broken bottles on Highway 19-23 west of Canton Tuesday, as the truck somersaulted before it came to rest upright. Operated by Buck Edwin Gaston of Asheville, the truck was going downhill past the VFW post about 1 p.m. when it went onto the shoulder of the road. Swinging back onto the road, the vehicle cut too far and ran off the left side of the highway. A final effort to swing into the right lane resulted in a complete roll-over.

Most of the bottles were smashed, and the debris had to be cleared before traffic could proceed normally.

The driver was charged with operating his vehicle on the left side of the road, according to State Highway Patrolman W. R. Wooten, who investigated.

## Washington Star Carries Article On Heintooga Rd.

The Heintooga Ridge Road is publicized in the travel section of the Sunday Star (Washington, D. C.) It is described as a new highway link which "has brought the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and the Blue Ridge Parkway together in Western North Carolina."

The article goes on to say that "nearly all the scenic highway is a mile high or more and it has numerous overlooks for views of the Great Smokies."

The story was prepared by Bart Leiper, executive vice president of the WNC Highlanders, whose headquarters are in Waynesville.

## Police Quarters Get New Coat Of Paint

The police department and mayor's court room have received a new coat of paint.

Added to the police quarters is a large bulletin board for FBI notices and other such matters as sent out by law enforcement officers.

## Mrs. Martin In Local Hospital

Mrs. O. R. Martin, who has been a patient at Mission Hospital, Asheville, is now receiving treatment at the Haywood County Hospital. Mrs. Martin received injuries in a fall from a car.

## Betsey's Gap Link Soon To Be Paved

Construction is progressing well on the Lake Junaluska-Hot Springs road, a state highway official said today. A considerable section of NC 209 in the Betsey's Gap area is being paved and graded, and should be open to through traffic by November 1. The road is now open to local traffic.

NC 209 links Haywood County with Hot Springs via Madison County, Tenn.



A REORGANIZATION of the Waynesville Fire Department included the appointment of these men, left to right: James G. Turner, driver, Ben Sloan, assistant chief, Felix Stovall, chief, and Clem Fitzgerald, driver. Others who were unable to be present for the picture included Ed Mottinger, secretary-treasurer, and David Underwood, chairman of the volunteer firemen. The department has 17 firemen. (Mountaineer Photo).

## Fire Department Reorganized New Alarm System In Service

### New Type Alarm Is Put Into Service; Now A Horn Will Blow

Waynesville's new fire alarm system is now in operation. It is a horn, instead of the siren.

Tentative plans are to blow the siren only when the alarm is from outside the city limits.

There might be a necessity to blow the siren and the horn on night calls. This will be determined later, it was explained.

The town has been divided into six zones, with a call for every section of the town.

Citizens, as well as the volunteer firemen, can by listening to the alarm, tell exactly the zone where the fire alarm came from.

For example, a fire in the vicinity of the post office would have a signal of one blast followed by a shorter one. At the depot, the signal would be one blast, for zone one, and then followed by two blasts, and so on for every section of town.

A large chart has been painted and hung in the fire department so the proper signals can be given all incoming fire calls.

The police department called attention to the violation of the law of motorists following the fire trucks to fires. Persons following the trucks will be subject to be hailed into court, they said.

The complete chart of signals will be found on the front page of the second section of today's issue.

### Felxi Stovall Named As Chief Sloan Is Assistant Chief

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The Waynesville Fire Department was completely re-organized here Tuesday night. The Board of Aldermen had earlier turned the organization over to the volunteer department, after making provision for payment of two full-time truck drivers.

Felix Stovall was named fire chief, Ben Sloan, assistant; Ed Mottinger, secretary-treasurer, and David Underwood chairman in charge of volunteers.

Clem Fitzgerald and James G. Turner were named as truck drivers. Fitzgerald is completing his 20th year with the department, and Turner transferred today from the police force to the fire department. He joined the police force six weeks ago after spending over two years on the Canton force. He had previous experience as a fireman in Maryville, Tenn., his home town. He has been here about 20 years.

Fitzgerald, on Tuesday, completed eleven years on 24-hour duty, seven days a week, having started on July 14, 1942.

Plans are to hold drills every first and third Wednesday, and in addition, meet once a month. The department has added several pieces of equipment, including nets, resuscitator, all in addition to the new alarm system.

Volunteer firemen of the department include: Robert Yarborough, Paul Warren, Walter Mehaffey, Willis Mehaffey, Harry Clay, John Boyd, Leon Killian, Robert Chafin, Henry Clayton, Bradford Mehaffey, W. F. Strange, Sam Kelley, Fred Sheehan, Jr., together with Stovall, Sloan, Mottinger, and Underwood.

The volunteers are paid two dollars for day calls and three dollars for night calls.

### DR. HUGH S. DANIEL, JR., Has Been Named Vice President of the North Carolina State Optometric Society, the society has just announced. Dr. Daniel will be in charge of the Department of Optometry.

The North Carolina State Optometric Society is the official organization for the profession of optometry in the State. It is dedicated to the preservation of vision for the people of the State.

Dr. Daniel is a graduate of the Southern College of Optometry in Memphis, Tenn. He holds the Reserve rank of lieutenant (j.g.) in the United States Navy.

### MISS GIBSON AT HOME

Miss Esther Mae Gibson, book-keeper at the Waynesville Mountaineer, who was injured in an automobile accident July 4 and has since been at the Haywood County Hospital, is now convalescing at home.

### 4 Haywood People Hurt As Cars Crash At Canton

(See picture back page)

The condition of all four persons injured in a head-on auto collision East of Canton Wednesday evening is said to be good this morning.

E. J. Lilius of Waynesville, driver of one car, is reported by the Aston Park Hospital in Asheville as having passed a fairly comfortable night and as being in good condition this morning. He received a compound fracture of the left leg.

One of the three boys in the other car was dismissed from the Haywood County Hospital after first-aid treatment; the other two are reported in good condition. Johnny Mack Edge, 13, of Clyde did not require hospitalization. His brother Charles Robert, 17, driver of the car, received facial lacerations and a brain concussion. Fifteen-year-old Tommy Dunlap Edge suffered an ankle fracture.

The accident occurred about 6:30 p.m. on the Asheville highway just east of Canton, according to State Highway Patrolman W. R. Wooten and H. Dayton. A 1940 Buick driven by Charles Robert Edge heading east toward Asheville skidded into the left lane and collided with a 1950 Buick driven toward Canton by Mr. Lilius.

A third car was involved when the spare tire from the Edge car came loose and struck the car behind the Lilius auto, operated by David C. Devlin.

Mr. Lilius is the owner of the jewelry firm bearing his name in Waynesville. The three Edge boys, residents of Clyde, are students at St. John's School in Waynesville. The two younger boys are members of the cast of "Thunderland."

## Superphosphate Plant Is Being Constructed Here

### Plant Adjoining Smoky Mountains Fertilizer To Have 20,000-Sq. Feet Floor Space

Construction is under way on a 20,000 square foot building for a new industrial plant here—The Western Carolina Phosphate Company, which will produce 20 per cent Superphosphate, and have a daily capacity of 100 tons.

C. G. "Tommy" Thompson, general manager of the new firm, as well as the Smoky Mountains Fertilizer Company, said the schedule calls for completion of the plant in late October or early November and that processing will begin within a short time thereafter.

The new firm will represent a substantial investment and employ additional labor, Mr. Thompson said. The new plant is being constructed just south of the Smoky Mountains Fertilizer Company plant, which opened here early in 1950.

The Phosphate Company will be affiliated with the Smoky Mountains Fertilizer Company, which will handle the sales of the Superphosphate produced here.

John W. Rutland is president of the Phosphate company, with Mr. Thompson serving as vice-president.

Mr. Rutland is no stranger in this area, having been a summer resident and property owner at Lake Junaluska for over twenty-five years. Mr. Rutland was formerly a resident of Atlanta and Chicago, where he was connected with International Minerals and Chemical Corporation as general manager of the plant food division. The decision to locate this plant in Haywood county is a result of many years watching the development of this section and confidence in the tremendous potential for increasing the natural fertility of the mountain region through adequate fertilization programs, which are being advanced by the Mountain Experiment Station and the County Agents and Extension Services.

Mr. Rutland is vice president of the Smoky Mountains Fertilizer Company and Mr. Thompson is president of the firm.

Mr. Thompson came here in the fall of 1949 to supervise the construction of the Smoky Mountains Fertilizer Company. He is active in the business, civic and religious life of the community. He is a director of the Rotary Club, also a director of the Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the board of stewards of the First Methodist Church.

Mr. Thompson will be actively in charge of both of the local manufacturing plants.

Materials which will go into the processing of the Superphosphate will be shipped in, and unloaded from the special siderack of the Southern Railway on which the plant is located. Practically all superphosphate now used in this area is shipped in from several adjoining states.

Mr. Thompson said this morning that "This new plant will provide a safeguard against future shortages and will assure our farmers an adequate supply of plant food, home."

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A NEW PLANT is being constructed here for the manufacture of 20% Superphosphate, and will be managed by C. G. "Tommy" Thompson, industrialist and civic leader here.

## J. C. Penney To Visit Area

J. C. Penney, chairman of the board of J. C. Penney Company as well as of the National Council for Community Development, will be the guest this weekend of his son, Roswell Penney and Mrs. Penney.

Mr. Penney is in Western North Carolina to address the annual conference of the Southeastern Community Development Association at Cherokee Thursday, and to fill other speaking engagements.

## Masonic Meeting Ends With Address By Henry Collins

The 14th annual assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Master Masons of North Carolina closed Tuesday night with an address by Henry F. Collins, past grand master of Masons in South Carolina.

Mr. Collins was principal speaker at a picnic supper at Camp Hope attended by an estimated 600 Masons, their families and friends.

The assembly was described by C. B. Hosaflook, chairman of the arrangements committee, as the best attended of any of the series. Nearly 400 delegates were registered, coming from half a dozen southern states and several northern, as well as one from Brazil.

The picnic was prepared by the Order of the Eastern Star of the Waynesville, Clyde, Canton and Sonoma chapters.

In addition to the business of the session, delegates made trips to "Unto These Hills" at Cherokee, the Masonic Marker at Black Camp Gap and to the village of Cherokee.

## Dr. Smathers Is Building Business Structure Here

Dr. John Smathers is constructing a 40 by 90 foot building on Haywood street for the Waynesville Auto Parts Company.

Ben Sloan is the builder of the one story structure, which will be of brick and concrete blocks.

The building is scheduled to be completed in about 60 days.

**Highway Record For 1953 In Haywood (To Date)**

**Killed . . . . 3**

**Injured . . . . 31**

(This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)

Max. Min. Rainfall	
78	49
80	45
80	54